

ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, We, **Brian G. Morin, Nathan A. Mehl, Martin Cowan, & William S. Parks**, citizens of United States of America, residing respectively at 324 Thornbush Court, Greer, SC 29651, County of Spartanburg, State of South Carolina; 253 Preston Drive, Moore, SC 29369, Count of Spartanburg, State of South Carolina; 437 Litchfield Drive, Moore, SC 29369, County of Spartanburg, State of South Carolina; and 310 Silhouette Trace, Boiling Springs, SC 29316, County of Spartanburg, State of South Carolina, have invented certain new and useful improvements in **LOW-SHRINK TEXTILE ARTICLES MADE FROM POLYPROPYLENE FIBERS** for which we executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States on **May 17, 2001** as Application Serial Number **09/860,140**; and

WHEREAS, **MILLIKEN & COMPANY**, a Corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Delaware and located at Spartanburg, in the County of Spartanburg and State of South Carolina, is desirous of obtaining the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said improvements and the said application:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) to each of us in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the said **Brian G. Morin, Nathan A. Mehl, Martin Cowan, & William S. Parks** have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto the said **MILLIKEN & COMPANY**, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said improvements, and the said application and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all applications for Letters Patent which may hereafter be filed for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of countries foreign to the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof; and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States, whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issued all Letters Patent for said improvements to the said **MILLIKEN & COMPANY**, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND WE HEREBY covenant that we have full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that we have not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith.

AND WE HEREBY further covenant that we will communicate to the said Corporation, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to us respecting said improvements, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid the said Corporation, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said improvements in all countries.

IN TESTIMONY, WHEREOF, we hereunto set our hands and seals on September 4, 2001.

Brian G. Morin (L.S.)

Martin Cowan (L.S.)
Martin Cowan

Nathan A. Mehl (L.S.)
Nathan A. Mehl

William S. Parks (L.S.)
William S. Parks

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
) ss
COUNTY OF SPARTANBURG)

On September 4, 2001, before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared **Brian G. Morin, Nathan A. Mehl, Martin Cowan, & William S. Parks**, severally to me known and known to me to be the several persons described in and who severally signed and sealed the foregoing instrument and severally acknowledged the same to be their free act and deed.

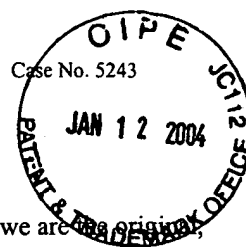
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Alicia D. Ephelmann
Notary Public

My Commission Expires
July 31st, 2010

DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLI **ION**

Case No. 5243



As below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residence, post office addresses and citizenship are as stated below next to our names. We believe we are the original, First, and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **Low-Shrink Textile Articles Made From Polypropylene Fibers**, the specification of which was assigned Application Serial no. 09/860,140 and a filing date of May 17, 2001.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is known to be material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code §112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose to the office information known to be material as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of this application:

(Application Serial No.)

(Filing Date)

(Status)

(patented, pending or abandoned)

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

(Application Serial No.)

(Country)

(Filing Date)

POWER OF ATTORNEY: As named inventors, we hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Full name of sole or first inventor: **Brian G. Morin**

Inventor's Signature: 

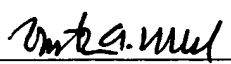
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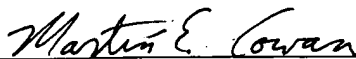
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Full name of fourth joint inventor:

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